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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

New patent application including 28 pages of text, 11 sheets of formal drawings, signed Declaration, signed Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet, Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with attached documents, Claim for Priority and a check for \$750.00.

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